

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please CANCEL claims 10, 18, 26-29 and 31, and AMEND claims 1, 4, and 19 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of recording an audio/video (A/V) signal, comprising:
 - selecting a category item for the A/V signal by a user;
 - storing category information about the A/V signal, the category information including the category item;
 - determining a compression ratio for the A/V signal according to the category item selected for the A/V signal; and
 - recording the A/V signal to a storage medium, which is compressed at the compression ratio,

wherein selecting the category item for the A/V signal comprises comparing feature information of the A/V signal with predetermined category items.
2. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, wherein the category information is stored in a memory provided separately from the storage medium.
3. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, wherein the category information is stored in the storage medium together with the A/V signal.
4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method of claim 1, wherein the selecting of the category item for the A/V signal ~~category item selecting~~, comprises :
 - extracting feature information from ~~in which a category of the A/V signal is seized~~;
 - comparing the feature information with predetermined category ~~list~~ items; and
 - selecting the category item for the A/V signal based on a result of the comparison.
5. (CANCELED)

6. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, wherein the category item is selected by a user.
7. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
allowing a user to add a category item.
- 8-10. (CANCELED)
11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus for recording an audio/video (A/V) signal, comprising:
a first storage medium storing one or more A/V signals;
a demultiplexing processor for demultiplexing an one of the input A/V signal, extracting feature information of in which a category of the input the A/V signal is seized, and transmitting the input A/V signal to the first storage medium;
a controller for selecting and storing a category item for the input A/V signal based on a result of comparing the feature information provided from the demultiplexing processor with predetermined category items and controlling the demultiplexing processor to record the input A/V signal to the first storage medium; and
a second storage medium storing category information including the category item for the A/V signal,
wherein the controller determines a compression ratio for the input A/V signal according to the category item and provides information on the determined compression ratio to the demultiplexing processor, and the demultiplexing processor compresses the input A/V signal at the compression ratio and transmits the compressed A/V signal to the first storage medium.
12. (CANCELED)
13. (ORIGINAL) An apparatus of claim 11, wherein the feature information extracted by the demultiplexing processor is system information (SI) contained in the input A/V signal, or additional information received together with the input A/V signal.
14. (ORIGINAL) An apparatus of claim 13, wherein the SI comprises extended text table (ETT) information, extended channel name descriptor (ECND) information, and network text

table information provided from a Program and System Information Protocol (PSIP) or Out-Of-Band System Information (OOBSI).

15. (ORIGINAL) An apparatus of claim 13, wherein the SI is used when the input A/V signal is a digital signal.

16. (ORIGINAL) An apparatus of claim 13, wherein the additional information is used when the input A/V signal is an analog signal.

17. (ORIGINAL) An apparatus of claim 13, wherein the additional information received together with the input A/V signal, is received through the same channel or a different channel than the input A/V signal.

18. (CANCELLED)

19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus for recording an audio/video (A/V) signal to a storage medium, comprising:

a selecting unit selecting a category item for the A/V signal;

a storing unit storing category information about the A/V signal, the category information including the category item; and

a recording unit recording the A/V signal to the storage medium,

wherein the recording unit comprises a determining unit determining a compression ratio for the A/V signal according to the category item selected for the A/V signal, the recording unit recording the A/V signal, which is compressed at the compression ratio, to the storage medium,

wherein the selecting unit selects the category item based on a result of comparing feature information of the A/V signal with predetermined category items.

20. (ORIGINAL) An apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the category information is stored in a memory provided separately from the storage medium.

21. (ORIGINAL) An apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the category information is stored in the storage medium together with the A/V signal.

22. (ORIGINAL) An apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the selective unit comprises:

an extracting unit extracting feature information in which a category of the A/V signal is seized; and

a comparing unit comparing the feature information with a predetermined category list, wherein the selecting unit selects the category item for the A/V signal based on a result of the comparison.

23. (CANCELED)

24. (ORIGINAL) An apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the category item is selected by a user.

25. (ORIGINAL) An apparatus according to claim 19, further comprising:
an input unit to enable a user to add a category item.

26-32. (CANCELLED)

33. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 1, wherein the category item comprises any one of drama and documentary.